

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. It will meet next at noon on Monday, September 25.

Committee Meetings

TRANSPORTATION OF THE MEDICAID PROGRAM

Committee on Commerce: Ordered transmitted to the Committee on the Budget for inclusion in Omnibus Budget Reconciliation "Transformation of the Medicaid Program."

SAVING MEDICARE

Committee on Ways and Means: Held a hearing on Saving Medicare. Testimony was heard from Gail R. Wilensky, Chair, Physician Payment Review Commission; Stuart H. Altman, Chairman, Prospective Payment Assessment Commission; Roland E. King, former Chief Actuary, Health Care Financing Administration, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

Joint Hearing: Senate Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on Constitution, Federalism and Property Rights concluded joint hearings with the House Committee on the Judiciary's Subcommittee on Constitution to examine the status and future of affirmative action, focusing on minority contracting, after receiving testimony from John R. Schmidt, Associate Attorney General, Department of Justice; George LaNoue, University of Maryland, Baltimore; Michael Carvin, Shaw, Pittman, Georgina Verdugo, Mexican American Legal Defense Fund, and Tony Robinson, Minority Business Enterprise Legal Defense Fund, all of Washington, D.C.; Thomas Stewart, Spokane, Washington; and Leon Goldstein, Atlanta, Georgia.

APPROPRIATIONS—DEFENSE

Conferees continued in closed evening session to resolve the differences between the Senate and House-passed versions of H.R. 2126, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1996.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD

Week of September 25 through 30, 1995

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, Senate will consider H.R. 2099, VA/ HUD Appropriations, 1996.

During the balance of the week, Senate expects to consider:

H.R. 2127, Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations, 1996;

H.R. 2076, Commerce, Justice, State, the Judiciary Appropriations, 1996; Conference reports, when available; and

Any cleared legislative and executive business.

(*Senate will recess on Tuesday, September 26, 1995, from 12:30 until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.*)

Senate Committees

(*Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated*)

Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry: September 27, business meeting, to consider recommendations which it will make to the Committee on the Budget with respect to spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the Congressional Budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, 9 a.m., SR-332.

September 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the use of ethanol's impact on clean air and the farm economy, 9:30 a.m., SR-328A.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: September 27, business meeting, to mark up S. 650, to increase the amount of credit available to fuel local, regional, and national economic growth by reducing the regulatory burden imposed upon financial institutions, 10 a.m., SD-538.

September 28, Full Committee, to hold hearings on proposed legislation to reform public housing and tenant based section 8 assistance, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: September 26, business meeting, to consider recommendations which it will make to the Committee on the Budget with respect to spending reductions and revenue increases to meet reconciliation expenditures as imposed by H. Con. Res. 67, setting forth the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal years 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, and 2002, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

September 27, Subcommittee on Aviation, to hold hearings on S. 1239, to amend title 49, United States Code, with respect to the regulation of interstate transportation by common carriers engaged in civil aviation, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: September 28, to hold hearings on the nominations of Derrick L.